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1. HERewith FULL TEXT CARL ROWAN OP-ED PAGE COLUMN WASH-  
INGTON STAR FRIDAY APRIL 30 HEADED "KISSINGER FINALLY  
FACES REALITY IN AFRICA."

2. IT IS NOT HYPERBOLE WHEN I SAY THAT THE FUTURE WORLD  
ROLE OF THE UNITED STATES MAY REST IN LARGE MEASURE ON THE  
BOLD, NEW THINGS THAT HENRY KISSINGER HAS BEEN SAYING IN  
AFRICA.

3. HE FINALLY IS TRYING TO PUT THIS COUNTRY INTO A POSTURE  
WHERE IT WILL NOT INCUR THE ANGER AND HATRED OF THE WORLD'S  
POOR AND WEAK NATIONS WHICH CONTAIN THE BULK OF HUMANITY--  
PLUS MINERALS, GEOGRAPHICAL AND OTHER ASSETS SO VITAL TO  
OUR SOCIETY.

4. SOME WHITE CRITICS OF KISSINGER ARE SAYING THAT HE HAS  
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GONE TO SOUTHERN AFRICA TO ENGAGE IN ELECTION-YEAR POLITICS

AND MESS UP A STABILITY THERE IMPOSED BY WHITES IN SOUTH AFRICA AND RHODESIA WHO ARE THE OUTPOSTS OF CHRISTIAN CIVILIZATION.

5. SOME BLACK CRITICS SAY HE HAS GONE TO AFRICA ONLY BECAUSE THE RUSSIANS AND CUBANS HAVE SCARED THE HELL OUT OF HIM IN ANGOLA, MOZAMBIQUE, ETHIOPIA AND ELSEWHERE.

6. I HAVE CRITICIZED THE SECRETARY OF STATE HARSHLY FOR SEVEN YEARS OF NEGLECT OF A CONTINENT THAT COMPRISES A FIFTH OF THE WORLD'S LAND SURFACE AND A VAST AMOUNT OF ITS CRITICAL RESOURCES. BUT I ACCEPT AND APPLAUD KISSINGER'S TUESDAY ASSERTION, IN LUSAKA, ZAMBIA, THAT "NO GOOD CAN COME OF MUTUAL RECRIMINATION" OR DEBATE ABOUT WHETHER HE FOCUSED ON CHINA, RUSSIA, THE MIDDLE EAST FOR TOO LONG WHILE NEGLECTING AFRICA.

7. TIME MAY PROVE--TRAGICALLY FOR US AMERICANS--THAT KISSINGER DID GO TO AFRICA TOO LATE AND OFFER TOO LITTLE. BUT LET THE RECORD SHOW THAT WHEN HE FINALLY FOCUSED ON THE GRIM REALITIES OF AFRICA, AND THE EROSION OF U.S. INFLUENCE THERE, HE DID HIS DAMNEDEST NOT TO OFFER TOO LITTLE.

8. ASSERTING THAT RACIAL JUSTICE "IS A DOMINANT ISSUE OF OUR AGE," KISSINGER ASKED FOR BLACK RULE IN RHODESIA WITHIN TWO YEARS OR SO. HE WARNED THE IAN SMITH REGIME IN RHODESIA THAT "IT CANNOT EXPECT U.S. SUPPORT EITHER IN DIPLOMACY OR IN MATERIAL HELP AT ANY STAGE IN ITS CONFLICT WITH AFRICAN STATES OR AFRICAN LIBERATION MOVEMENTS."

9. WHATEVER KISSINGER'S EARLIER UNFORTUNATE RHETORIC WARNING CUBA NOT TO TRY IN RHODESIA WHAT IT HELPED ACCOMPLISH IN ANGOLA, KISSINGER LET SMITH KNOW THAT THE U.S. WILL LEAVE HIM AT THE MERCIES OF WHATEVER LIBERATIONIST ATTACKERS DESCEND UPON HIM IF HE PERSISTS IN HIS RACIST OBDURACY. KISSINGER ADDED THAT THE SMITH REGIME WILL FACE "OUR UNRELENTING OPPOSITION UNTIL A NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT IS ACHIEVED."

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10. KISSINGER WARNED SOUTH AFRICA THAT IT HAS "FAILED TO ANNOUNCE A DEFINITE TIMETABLE FOR THE ACHIEVEMENT OF SELF-DETERMINATION" IN NAMIBIA. HE PLEDGED U.S. COOPERATION WITH BLACK AFRICAN LEADERS IN WORKING OUT A FORMULA FOR NAMIBIAN INDEPENDENCE, PLUS ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO HELP NAMIBIA "TAKE ITS RIGHTFUL PLACE AMONG THE INDEPENDENT NATIONS OF THE WORLD."

11. AS FOR SOUTH AFRICA, KISSINGER DEPLORED THE FACT THAT IN THIS GEOGRAPHICALLY LOVELY, SUPER-RICH COUNTRY "RACIAL DISCRIMINATION HAS BEEN INSTITUTIONALIZED, ENSHRINED IN LAW AND MADE ALL-PERVASIVE."

12. INTERESTINGLY, A PRAGMATIC KISSINGER DID NOT CALL FOR THE EARLY BLACK RULE IN SOUTH AFRICA THAT HE DEMANDED IN RHODESIA. SOME CRITICS WILL SAY IT IS BECAUSE THE U.S. HAS MORE THAN \$1 BILLION INVESTED IN SOUTH AFRICA. BUT HE DID APPEAL TO SOUTH AFRICA TO "HEED THE WARNING SIGNALS OF THE PAST TWO YEARS" AND ACKNOWLEDGE THAT "THE INSTITUTIONALIZED SEPARATION OF THE RACES MUST END." HE WARNED SOUTH AFRICAN WHITES THAT "THERE IS A LIMIT TO THAT TIME" IN WHICH THEY CAN AVERT CATASTROPHIC RACIAL CONFLICT.

13. KISSINGER ASKED SOUTH AFRICA TO INFLUENCE RHODESIA TO PROMOTE A RAPID SETTLEMENT FOR MAJORITY RULE. MY REMEMBRANCE OF DIPLOMATIC LANGUAGE TELLS ME THAT KISSINGER WAS SAYING TO JOHN VORSTER'S PRETORIA GOVERNMENT: "I'M TAKING IT EASY ON YOU NOW, BUT ONLY BECAUSE I SENSE THAT YOU ARE SMART ENOUGH TO WANT TO DEFUSE A POTENTIAL EXPLOSION IN RHODESIA THAT COULD QUICKLY ENGULF YOU."

14. KISSINGER WAS ADDRESSING ISSUES THAT OUGHT TO BE ABOVE PARTISAN POLITICS. HE DESERVES THE BROADEST SUPPORT BECAUSE IT INVOLVES THE FUTURE WELL-BEING OF EVERY AMERICAN.

15. JIMMY CARTER, RONALD REAGAN, MORRIS UDALL, SCOOP JACKSON, HUBERT HUMPHREY AND ALL THE OTHERS OUGHT TO TELL THE AMERICAN PEOPLE RIGHT NOW WHERE THEY STAND ON THIS ISSUE.

16. HENRY KISSINGER WON'T BE SECRETARY OF STATE MUCH  
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LONGER. HE IS TO BE COMMENDED FOR MAKING THIS LONG-OVERDUE POLICY MOVE BEFORE SAYING HIS GOODBYES. (END TEXT) SISCO

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